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1. TURKISH REACTION TO THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE'S
VOTE ON MILITARY AID TO TURKEY IS CONTINUING TO EMERGE (REFTEL).
COMMENTS BY BOTH FOREIGN MINISTER CAGLAYANGIL AND REPUBLICAN
PEOPLE'S PARTY CHAIRMAN ECEVIT WERE CARRIED IN THE TURKISH
PRESS FEBRUARY 4. FOLLOWING ARE FULL QUOTATIONS:

A. CAGLAYANGIL:

"TO EVALUATE THE DECISION OF THE US SENATE FOREIGN

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RELATIONS COMMITTEE IN ISOLATION IS NOT AN ACCURATE METHOD

(OF ANALYSIS). THIS DECISION HAS TO BE APPROVED FIRST BY THE SENATE, THEN BY THE HOUSE IN ORDER TO BE FULLY LEGISLATED. HOWEVER, IF THE DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE IS ANALYZED ON ITS OWN MERITS, THE FOLLOWING FACTORS ARE OBSERVED: THE DECISION TAKEN EARLIER BY THE CONGRESS IN OCTOBER 1975 RELEASED ONLY DEFENSE MATERIAL AND SERVICES CONTRACTED FOR PREVIOUSLY AND CASH SALES. THE BAN ON GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT SALES AND ON CREDIT SALES REMAINED IN EFFECT. IN THIS RECENT DECISION, HOWEVER, WHILE THE BAN ON CREDIT SALES CONTINUES, THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT SALES WERE RELEASED, BUT NO REFERENCE WAS MADE TO SUPPORT AID. (NOTE: FONMIN APPARENTLY USED LATTER TERM TO MEAN GRANT AID.) IF THE MATTER IS REGARDED FROM THIS POINT OF VIEW, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO THINK THAT A BALANCE IN MUTUAL INTERESTS, TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF WHICH WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE IN THE DEFENSE COOPERATION OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, HAS BEEN SECURED." ANSWERING A JOURNALIST'S QUESTION ON THE VIEW OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT IF THE BILL IS PASSED IN ITS PRESENT FORM, CAGLAYANGIL SAID: "IT'S NOT RIGHT TO GIVE ANSWERS TO TRADITIONAL QUESTIONS."

ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD TAKE UP THIS MATTER WITH SECSTATE KISSINGER DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 11, THE FONMIN SAID: "I WILL HAVE CONTACTS WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THIS DECISION, HOWEVER, IS AN ACTION THAT TOOK PLACE WITHIN THE US SENATE. I AM HOPING THAT THE US CONGRESS WILL NOT OPEN A NEW WOUND IN TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS, WHICH WERE ALREADY HURT BY THE ARMS EMBARGO."

B. ECEVIT:

"THE AMERICAN EMBARGO HAS NOT BEEN LIFTED. IT HAS BEEN SUSPENDED, BUT ONLY UNDER CERTAIN SERIOUS POLITICAL CONDITIONS. AND AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO ACCEPT THESE CONDITIONS. NOW THE NEGATIVE RESULTS DERIVING FROM THIS SITUATION BEGIN TO EMERGE. AND THE DRAWBACKS BEHIND THE APPEARANCE OF THE UNITED STATES LIFTING THE EMBARGO CONDITIONALLY BEGIN TO BE BETTER UNDERSTOOD. IN MY OPINION THIS IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM. AS I HAVE ALWAYS INDICATED, TURKEY HAS TO CONSIDER THIS PROBLEM APART FROM THE CYPRUS ISSUE. CYPRUS IS PRIMARILY OUR PROBLEM AND NEEDS TO BE SOLVED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE

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WILL TRY TO RESOLVE OUR PROBLEM WITH THE UNITED STATES SEPARATELY." MACOMBER

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